

**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00512-TSC**

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Assigned to: Judge Tanya S. Chutkan  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 03/06/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

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**Defendant**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
03/06/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5360344) filed by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C, # <u>4</u> Exhibit D, # <u>5</u> Exhibit E, # <u>6</u> Exhibit F, # <u>7</u> Summons, # <u>8</u> Summons, # <u>9</u> Summons, # <u>10</u> Civil Cover Sheet)(France, Elizabeth) (Entered: 03/06/2018)
03/06/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT (France, Elizabeth) (Entered: 03/06/2018)
03/06/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. (zsth) (Entered: 03/06/2018)
03/06/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsth) Modified on 3/8/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 03/06/2018)
03/07/2018	<u>4</u>	REQUEST FOR SUMMONS TO ISSUE filed by AMERICAN OVERSIGHT.(France, Elizabeth) (Entered: 03/07/2018)
03/08/2018	<u>5</u>	SUMMONS (1) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. (znmw) (Entered: 03/08/2018)
03/16/2018	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 3/12/2018. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 4/11/2018.), RETURN OF

		SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 3/12/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT served on 3/15/2018 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A)(France, Elizabeth) (Entered: 03/16/2018)
04/11/2018	<u>7</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Daniel Patrick Schaefer on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 04/11/2018)
04/11/2018	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.(Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 04/11/2018)
04/16/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of LCvR 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil procedure appear to be inapplicable. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and propose a schedule for proceeding in this matter. The schedule shall address the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff, whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case, whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case, whether and when either party anticipates filing a dispositive motion, and any other pertinent issues. The parties shall file a joint status report that addresses these issues and that contains a proposed schedule and proposed order not later than 5/16/18. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 4/16/18. (DJS) (Entered: 04/16/2018)
04/17/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report and proposed order due by 5/16/2018. (tb) (Entered: 04/17/2018)
05/16/2018	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order (Defendant's), # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order (Plaintiff's))(Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 05/16/2018)
05/25/2018		MINUTE ORDER: A Status Conference is hereby set for 6/28/18 at 1:15 pm in Courtroom 9. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 5/25/18. (DJS) (Entered: 05/25/2018)
05/25/2018		Set/Reset Hearings: Status Conference set for 6/28/2018 at 01:15 PM in Courtroom 9 before Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. (tb) (Entered: 05/25/2018)
06/28/2018		Set/Reset Hearings: Status Conference reset for 6/28/2018 at 01:30 PM in Courtroom 9 before Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. (tb) (Entered: 06/28/2018)
06/28/2018		Minute Entry: Status Conference held on 6/28/2018 before Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. Status Conference set for 8/21/2018 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom 9 before Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. Status Report due by 7/30/2018. (Court Reporter Crystal Pilgrim) (tb) (Entered: 06/28/2018)
07/30/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order Plaintiff, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order Defendant)(Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 07/30/2018)
08/21/2018		Minute Entry: Status Conference held on 8/21/2018 before Judge Tanya S. Chutkan: Joint Status Report due by 9/20/2018. (Court Reporter Bryan Wayne) (tb) (Entered: 08/22/2018)
09/20/2018	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 09/20/2018)
10/19/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Having considered the parties joint status report <u>11</u> , it is hereby ordered that the parties shall submit a further joint report by October 19, 2018, and every sixty days thereafter. To the extent the report contains a briefing schedule, the parties shall attach a proposed order. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 10/9/18. (DJS) (Entered: 10/19/2018)
10/19/2018	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. (Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 10/19/2018)

12/17/2018	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. (Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 12/17/2018)
02/19/2019	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 – Scott Declaration)(Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 02/19/2019)
02/27/2019		MINUTE ORDER LIFTING STAY: Having considered the Defendant's Notice of Restored Government Funding <u>13</u> and the parties' joint status report <u>13</u> , the previously imposed stay is hereby lifted. It is hereby ordered that the parties shall file another joint status report by 4/19/19, and every 60 days thereafter. To the extent the parties propose a production schedule and/or briefing schedule, the status report shall include a proposed order. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 2/27/19. (DJS) (Entered: 02/27/2019)
03/01/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/19/2019. (tb) (Entered: 03/01/2019)